

## FY23 University of Alaska budget highlights

As approved by the Governor, the operating budget includes:

- \$8.4 million for compensation and some fixed cost increases (includes a 2% salary increase for non-bargaining staff, firefighters, and local 6070)
- \$3.5 million for health program faculty to meet workforce demand
- \$2 million for alternative energy
- \$1 million for health clinicals, pilot program for faster degree completion
- \$1 million for teacher education practicums, pilot program for faster degree completion
- \$100,000 increase to mental health trust funding
- \$72,300 for technical vocational education program funds (+\$881,800 FY22 supplemental)
- And increased authorization to receive federal funding for research

It also provides one-time funding for research and development critical for Alaska's economic recovery:

- \$10 million for drone programs to secure beyond line of sight and industry development
- \$7.8 million for important critical mineral and rare earth element research and development
- \$5 million for heavy oil recovery research and development
- \$250,000 for health program equipment
- \$7 million to support mariculture research, industry support and workforce development

The capital budget includes:

- \$23 million for deferred maintenance at UAF Bartlett/Moore Student Housing
- \$20 million for student IT system modernization
- \$2.5 million for alternative energy research
- \$2 million for fisheries, seafood, and maritime programs
- \$500,000 for rare earth elements demonstration facility grant proposal
- \$250,000 for rare earth mineral security
- And increased authorization to receive federal funding for the Seward Sikuliaq facility